

# BRITISH COLUMBIA AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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## Registration and Clearance Form

Application to have a permit issued to play with the \_\_\_\_\_ (**team**) in the British Columbia Australian Football League.

Surname:		First Name(s):	
Address	No:	Street:	Unit:
City:		Province:	Postal Code:
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	DOB:	Canadian:
		Non-Canadian:	
Birth Certificate/Student ID #:		Work Ph.:	
Home Ph.:		Mobile Ph.:	
E-Mail:			
Have you ever played competition Australian Football before?		Yes:	No:

### League Office Section

Registration #:		Year of Registration:	
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Information on the last 3 clubs played with. The **Last Club Played With** is the club from whom the Clearance is being sought.

Last Club Played With:	2 <sup>nd</sup> Last Club Played With:	3 <sup>rd</sup> Last Club Played With:	
League/Association:	League/Association:	League/Association:	
Date Registered:	Date Registered:	Date Registered:	
Date Last Played:	Date Last Played:	Date Last Played:	

### Players Section

Signature of Player:	Date:
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I agree to abide by the Rules and By-Laws of the OAFL. I will observe and obey these Rules and By-Laws and be bound by all rulings made by or with the authority of the OAFL that relate or apply to me. I declare that the information supplied by me is true and correct.

### Parents Section (MUST be completed if player is under 18)

Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Name of Parent/Guardian (print):	Date:
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I hereby consent to the registration of my child with the OAFL. I acknowledge that I have been provided with and understand the Codes of Conduct of the OAFL. I hereby agree to abide by the Codes of Conduct and agree to observe and obey these Codes and all rulings made by the league that relate to me. I understand that the league may withdraw or suspend my child/s registration to play in the OAFL should I fail to comply with the Codes and/or rulings of the league should I breach said Codes.

### Club Officials Section

Signature of Club Official:	Name of Official (print):	Date:
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In submitting this form, I declare that the information supplied is in accordance with the copy retained on file by the club. All relevant information and documentation is available upon request of the league.

Has the player EVER been disqualified by any League Tribunal, League of Club?	Yes:	No:	X
Is the player currently under disqualification by any League Tribunal, League or Club?	Yes:	No:	X

(If yes, please provide length of suspension)

Is the player in possession of club property?	Yes:	No:	X
Does the player owe money to a previous club?	Yes:	No:	X

Reasons for seeking clearance:

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## **RELEASE, WAIVER, AND INDEMNITY**

In consideration of the acceptance of the Registration form and the participation as a Player or Official with the British Columbia Australian Football League. I, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns **HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE AND FOREVER DISCHARGE**, The Canadian Australian Football Association and its executive, The British Columbia Australian Football League, its executive and all of its member clubs which includes but is not limited to the Vancouver Cougars, Burnaby Eagles, West Coast Saints, Vancouver Harps, North Delta Bayhawks, The Cities of Vancouver, Burnaby, Surrey, Langley, Richmond or any other city in which the game is played, The British Columbia Australian Football League, and all other associations, sanctioning bodies and sponsoring companies and all of their respective agents, officials, servants, contractors, representatives, successors, and assigns, (collectively "The Indemnities") **OF AND FROM** all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, expenses, actions or causes of action, whether in law or equity in respect of death, injury, loss, or damage to my person or property **HOW SO EVER CAUSED**, arising or to arise, whether directly or indirectly, by reason of my participation, whether as a spectator, participant, competitor, or otherwise, whether prior to or during or subsequent to the events **AND NOTWITHSTANDING** that same may have been contributed to or occasioned by my negligence.

**I FURTHER HEREBY UNDERTAKE TO HOLD AND SAVE HARMLESS AND AGREE TO IDEMNIFY** The Indemnities from any and against any and all claims demands, damages, liabilities, expenses, actions, or causes of action, arising as a result of, or in any way connected with, my participation in Australian Football or events.

**BY SUBMITTING THIS REGISTRATION, I ACKNOWLEDGE HAVING READ, UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED** to the above **WAIVER, RELEASE, AND INDEMNITY**.

I warrant that I am physically fit to participate and understand that Australian Football is an extremely dangerous game and can result in serious injury.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## CODES OF CONDUCT - COACHES

- *Be reasonable in your demands on players' time, energy and enthusiasm.*
- *Avoid over-playing the talented players, the "just average" players need and deserve equal time.*
- *Remember that players participate for fun and enjoyment.*
- *Ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate to the age and ability of the players.*
- *Take into consideration the maturity level of the players, when scheduling and determining the length of practice times and competition.*
- *Develop team respect for the ability of opponents as well as for the judgement of officials and opposing coaches.*
- *Follow the advice of a physician when determining when an injured player is ready to recommence training or competition.*
- *Keep yourself informed of the sound coaching principles and the principles of growth and development of players.*
- *Create opportunities to teach appropriate sports behavior as well basic skills.*
- *Ensure that skill learning and appropriate sports behavior have priority over highly structured competitions for young players.*
- *Help players understand the responsibilities and implications of their freedom to choose between fair and unfair play. "A child's self-esteem is delicate and easily damaged, particularly by parents attempting to act out their own lives through the youngsters on the sports field. Participation in sports events must be something for children to enjoy. They should not be saddled with win-at-all costs attitudes at any early age" Daily Telegraph editorial.*

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## CODES OF CONDUCT - ADMINISTRATORS/OFFICIALS:

- *Ensure that equal opportunities for participation in sports are made available to all players, regardless of ability, size, shape, sex, age, disability or ethnic origin.*
- *Ensure that rules, equipment, length of games and training schedules take into consideration the age, ability and maturity level of participating players.*
- *Ensure that adequate supervision is provided by qualified and competent coaches and officials capable of developing appropriate sports behavior and skill technique.*
- *Remember that players participate for enjoyment and play down the importance of rewards.*
- *Provide clinics aimed at improving the standards of coaching and officiating, with an emphasis on appropriate behaviour and skill technique.*
- *Ensure that parents, coaches, sponsors, physicians and participants understand their responsibilities regarding fair play. .*
- *Condemn unsporting behaviour and promote respect for all opponents.*
- *Publicly encourage rule changes which will reinforce the principles of participation for fun and enjoyment.*
- *Ensure that your behaviour is consistent with the principles of good sporting behaviour.*
- *Make a personal commitment to keep yourself informed of sound officiating principles and the principles of growth and development of players.*

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## CODES OF CONDUCT - PARENTS/SPECTATORS

- *Encourage players to participate, if they are interested.*
- *Encourage players to always participate according to the rules.*
- *Never ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake or losing the game.*
- *Remember that players learn best from example. Applaud good plays by all teams.*
- *If you disagree with an official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than questioning the official's judgement and honesty in public.*
- *Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.*
- *Recognize the value and importance of volunteer coaches.*
- *Remember that children play organised sports for fun. They are not playing for the entertainment to spectators only, nor are they miniature professionals.*
- *Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, coaches, officials or players.*
- *Encourage players to follow the rules and the officials' decisions.*
- *Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language, harassing players, coaches or officials.*

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## **CODES OF CONDUCT - PLAYERS:**

- *Play by the rules.*
- *Never argue with an official. If you disagree, discuss the matter with your coach.*
- *Control your temper. Verbal abuse of officials or other players, or provoking an opponent is not acceptable.*
- *Work equally hard for yourself and/or for your team. Your team's performance will benefit, so will you.*
- *Be a good sport. Applaud all good plays whether they be on your team, opponent or the other team.*
- *Treat all players, as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take unfair advantage of another player.*
- *Co-operate with your coach, teammates and opponents. Without them there would be no competition.*
- *Play for the "fun of it" and not just to please parents and coaches.*
- *Avoid using derogatory language.*

*Note: Codes of Conduct are part of the National Football Policy provided by Australian Football League.*